



Scardinius erythrophthalmus

Common rudd

General

1. Freshwater species benthic cyprinid species that is mainly herbivorous (though technically omnivorous)
2. Occurs in lakes, water courses, wetlands

Geography and Habitat

1. Native: Western Europe to the North, Baltic, Black, Caspian, and Aral Sea basins
2. Habitats
 - Lakes, marshes, canals, ponds
 - Prefer waters containing large weed beds
 - Tolerant of pH 7.0—7.5 and water temperature of 10°C—22°C
 - Tolerant of brackish waters

Invasion Pathways

1. Unintentional/ intentional bait bucket release into open waters
2. Unintentional release of ornamental specimens believed to be Golden shiners (*Notemigonus crysoleucas*) in New York

Sources

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